Purchase of F-16 aircraft by Pakistan

788. SHRI RAM CHANDRA VIKAL:
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Pakistan proposes to acquire F-16 fighter aircrafts from the United States and also Chinese jets; and

(b) if so, what is Government's reaction thereto and what measures have been taken or being taken to increase India's air defence?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI K. NATWAR SINGH): (a) Government have seen various reports in this regard.

(b) All such developments are kept under constant review and appropriate measures taken to ensure the country's full defence preparedness.

Indian tourist offices in foreign countries

789. DR. MOHD. HASHIM KIDWAI: Will the Minister of TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) the names of foreign countries in which there are Indian tourist offices along with the number of such offices;

(b) the total amount spent on these offices during the last two years;

(c) the number of persons working in these offices; and

(d) the names of publications published by these offices. language-wise during the last two years?

THE MINISTER OF TOURISM (MUFTI MOHD. SAYEED): (a) to (c) The requisite information is given in the enclosed statement. (*See* below).

(d) The tourist offices abroad do not publish any publications. Tourist information brochures and pamphlets are supplied by the Department of Tourism from the Head Office.

Statement

List of tourist offices in foriegn countries and number posts of office-wise

Sl. No.	Name of country	Location of tourist offices	No. of Offices	No. of persons employed
1	2	3	4	5
1	U.S.A.	New York	1	11
		Los Angels	1	6
		Chicago	1	4
2	Canada	Toronto	1	5
3	U.K.	London	1	8
4	Switzerland	Geneva	1	6
5	France	Paris	1	5
6	Belgium	Brussels	1	2
7	Germany	Frankfurt	1	5